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Applicant:

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Title:

Semiconductor Device with a Bipolar Transistor, and Method of

Manufacturing Such a Device

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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated June 24, 2004, please consider the following remarks beginning on page 4. The pending claims are presented on pages 2-3. No amendments to the claims are presented.